Chapter 15.5

JUN MOCHIZUKI

THE CASE STUDY OF VANITAS

KA
(FLASH)

ZAAAA
(SSSSSSH)
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VANITAS
ENTRACTE: CHAMBRE D'ENFANTS
A DREAM OF THE SOUND OF RAIN

WELL, THEN ...
I BET SHE'LL BE HERE SOON.
PATAN (SHUT)
KA (FLASH)
HOW PEACE-FUL...
PARA (FLIP)
THE SOUND OF THE RAIN IS NICE.
KI (CREAK)
COME IN.
KON (TAP)
KON
KON
RURU (SHIVER)
CAN I SLEEP HERE TONIGHT?
UM... LOUIS?

SURE.
PAAA (BEAM)
NO HELP FOR IT, I GUESS.
...
WE'LL DO THAT, THEN.
YOU TOO, HUH, NOÉ?
HUH?
WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?
GASHI (GRAB)
ARGH... NOÉ MOVES TOO MUCH WHEN HE SLEEPS...
LIAR. YOU GET MUZZY-HEADED RIGHT AWAY, TOO.
I WON'T GET MUZZY-HEADED!
I DO NOT!
PATA (PATTER)
PATA

HE'S ALREADY ASLEEP!
THAT WAS FAST!
GUKAAA (SNOOORE)
SO YOU'RE AFRAID OF LIGHTNING TOO, NOÉ?
FU-FU! DO YOU REMEMBER, LOUIS?
THE THREE OF US USED TO SLEEP TOGETHER LIKE THIS ALL THE TIME, BUT LATELY...
WELL, YOU KNOW... WE'RE TOO OLD FOR THAT NOW, HUH?
NOÉ SAID SLEEPING BY HIMSELF ON RAINY DAYS IS LONELY, SO HE CAME WITH ME.
SERI-OUSLY? HE'S SUCH A KID...
I WISH... I COULD STAY HERE ALL THE TIME TOO.
WHEN I GO HOME, ALL I DO EVERY DAY IS STUDY AND HAVE LESSONS.
NO MATTER WHAT I DO, THEY COMPARE ME TO VERONICA AND GET MAD AT ME.
BESIDES, FATHER IS SCARY.
PLAYING HERE IN THE FOREST WITH EVERYBODY IS A LOT MORE FUN.

.....I ENVY YOU, LOUIS.
ZAAAA (SSSSSSHH)
KOTSU (TUNK)

YOU SHOULDN'T SAY THAT. YOU'RE STILL A CHILD, SO YOU JUST DON'T KNOW, THAT'S ALL.
I'M ONLY A YEAR YOUNGER THAN YOU, LOUIS.
THAT'S TRUE, BUT...
...ONCE YOU'RE OLDER, AND YOU'VE LEARNED A LOT MORE...
...I'M SURE YOU'LL UNDERSTAND...
"HOW MUCH BETTER YOUR LIFE IS THAN MINE."
...JUST HOW MUCH ...
HOW MUCH ...
... EVERYONE LOVES AND CHERISHES YOU.

N N
LIKE I SAID, WHAT ARE YOU —
ALTHOUGH, YOU'D BETTER BE CAREFUL MINA DOESN'T TAKE HIM.
WH-WH-WHAT DO YOU MEAN!?
BESIDES, I READ THAT ONLY BEING ABLE TO MEET ONCE IN A WHILE MAKES LOVE MORE THRILLING.
GABA (SHOCK)
... UH-HUH.
GABU (CHOMP)
HEY, NOÉ...
OW, OW, OW, OW, OW!
BASH! (WHAP)
GO (WHUNK)
THAT'S ENOUGH, YOU IDIOT!!!
MY ARM IS NOT TARTE TATIN!
GAJI (GNAW)
HAW-HAHAN ISH UMMI...
GAJI
WHY, YOU ...!
HOFWEH??
OW!! LET GO!

...
HUH
...?

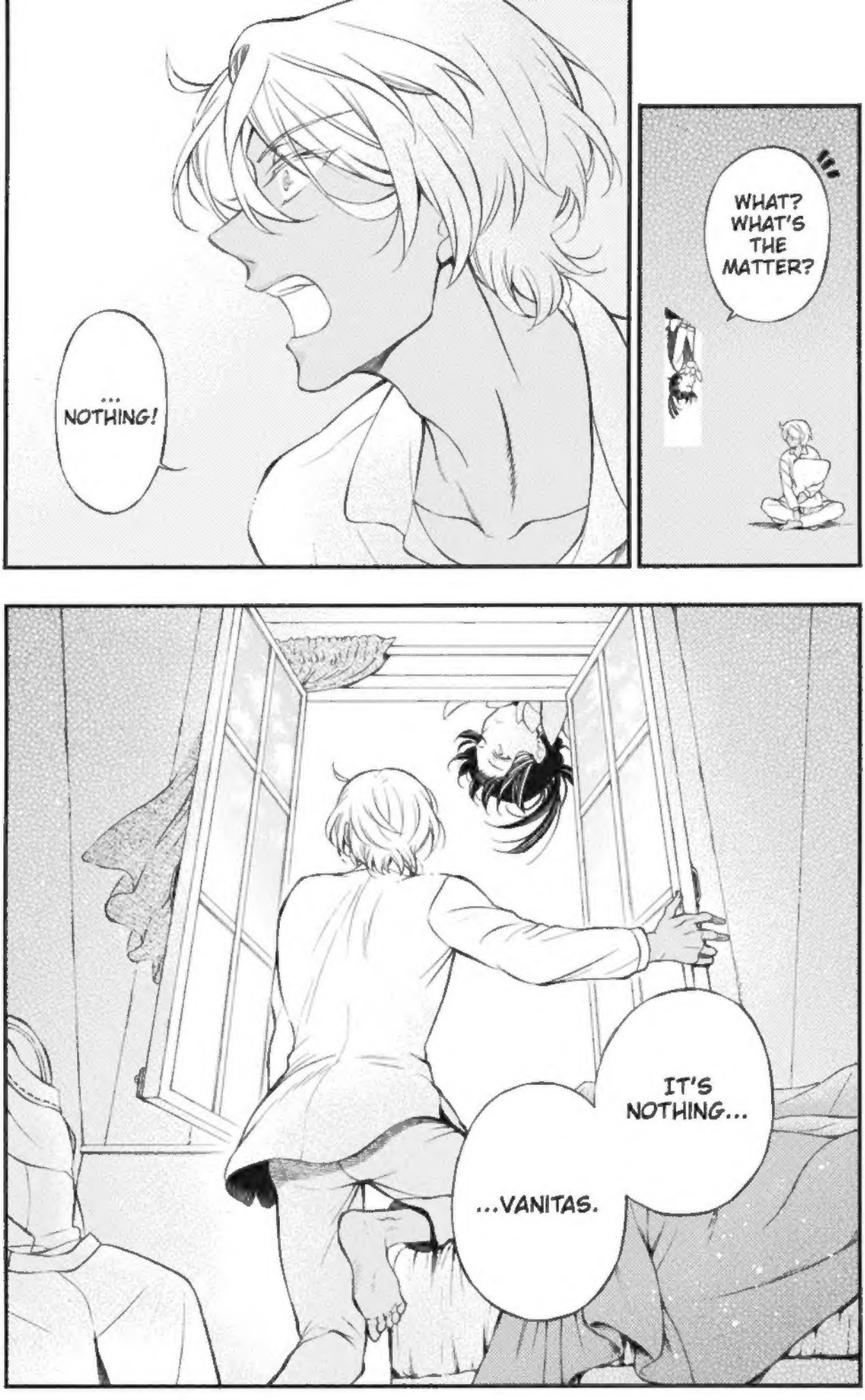
IT FEELS LIKE I WAS DREAMING ABOUT... SOMETHING NOSTALGIC
...

I JUST BROUGHT BREAKFAST OVER, SO COME ON UP.
WELL, IF YOU'RE AWAKE, THAT'S PERFECT.

HONESTLY. HOW MUCH DO YOU MOVE IN YOUR SLEEP?

WHAT, DID YOU FALL OUT OF BED AGAIN?
HYOKO (POP)
!

WE'RE GOING TO REPORT THE BUSINESS IN ALTUS TO ORLOK TODAY, REMEMBER?
OUR NAME...
...IS CHARLATAN...♡



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